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## ANARCHIST IN THE WORKHOUSE.

Frank Guetle Captured After a Desperate Struggle.

FOUGHT WITH THE POLICE.

IN HIS SALOON WERE A RIFLE, SHOTGUN, TWO PISTOLS, KNIFE, AX AND BOMB.

NOW HE IS BREAKING ROCK.

He Was Coaxed From His Arsenal Tuesday Morning and a Fight With Officers Lasting 20 Minutes Ensued.

Frank Guetle, who has defied the police and the courts, and who announced that he was an anarchist and would obey no law, has at last fallen before the combined efforts of the police and constables.

He was not captured until after a bitter struggle, and his battle with the officers Tuesday morning lasted fully twenty minutes.

He is now a Work-house prisoner and is breaking rock in the quarry.

Guetle has a saloon and grocery at 2301 and 2303 Osage street. His trouble with the police and municipal government is of long standing. It dates from the erection of Ed Butler's reduction works. He contended that by giving the permit for the erection of the garbage crematory he had injured his business, and he declined to pay license.

Every year there was trouble about the collection of the license but after resorting to all kinds of evasions and threats Guetle was eventually forced to pay the tax.

He pursued the same tactics this year. He flatly refused to liquidate and said he would fight the entire police force of the city before he would pay. Suit was brought in the Carondelet Police Court, charging him with conducting a saloon without a license. The case was set for December 5. Guetle did not appear. Then a personal summons was served and he was notified to appear in court December 5. He ignored the summons.

Judge Zimmerman assessed a \$500 fine against him by default. He would either have to pay the fine or go to the Work-house. He declared he would do neither and he defied the police and marshals to enforce the findings of the court. He said he was prepared for their coming and he would, certainly kill the first policeman who offered to molest him.

It fell to the lot of Deputy Marshal J. L. Rilliet to serve the execution and to take Guetle to the Work-house. He knew there would be a desperate resistance and called on Patrolmen Weber, Burgess and Nicolay of the Third Police District to assist him. They were familiar with Guetle and knew that they must resort to strategy to prevent blood being shed.

At 8 o'clock Monday night Patrolmen Weber and Burgess entered Guetle's place. They sauntered carelessly, leaving Rilliet and Nicolay on the outside to join when their services were needed.

Guetle's arrest was the most imposing spectacle in the place. It was behind the bar, prominently displayed and was of easy access to Anarchist Guetle. The officers made an inventory of the arsenal, and this is what they found:

One Winchester rifle.  
One butcher knife.  
One ax.  
One dynamite bomb.  
The police knew that a battle would be precipitated were they to attempt to take him from behind the bar. There were a number of loungers about the place, all known to be friends of Guetle, who would fight for him.

The officers waited twenty minutes, helping Guetle would step from behind the bar and away from his arsenal. He made no move in that direction, and strategy was resorted to.

Burgess stepped outside for a moment and whispered to the two officers in wait.

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## SECRETARY GAGE WANTED TO QUIT.

Offered His Resignation to President McKinley.

IT WAS PROMPTLY REFUSED.

THE PRESIDENT INSISTED THAT HE DESIRED NO CHANGE IN THE TREASURY.

GAGE TIRED OF CRITICISM.

The Opposition of Wolcott and Others to the Gold Standard Plan Presages Trouble for the Administration.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Secretary Gage of the Treasury has offered to resign. The proffer was made several days ago and was induced by the fight that is being waged against him by Senator Wolcott and others. Assistant Secretary Vanderlip said to-day that when Secretary Gage tendered his resignation the President promptly told him he would not accept it, and that he wanted no change in the Treasury portfolio.

This is the beginning of trouble for President McKinley over the currency question. It is known that the plan of Secretary Gage which he has embodied in a bill for the consideration of Congress does not meet the unanimous approval of the Republican Senators. It is far too open and radical an endorsement of the single gold standard to suit such men as Wolcott, Mantle, Hanebrough and others, who come from a section of the country where silver sentiment is strong.

As published a few days ago by the Post-Dispatch, Senator Wolcott feels so strongly on the subject that he has intimated an intention to resign his place in the Senate if the President persists in standing by the Gage programme. Senator Wolcott feels additional chagrin because of the attitude he has been placed in as a member of the bimetallic commission, which was sent to Europe ostensibly to negotiate in the interest of bimetallicism. His mission failed and it begins to look to him as if he was made absurd by being sent on a mission which was not sincere, but which was only devised to throw dust in the eyes of such Republicans as believed in the good faith of the party when it declared in national convention for bimetallicism.

Whether Secretary Gage goes out or not it is apparent that the administration has a warm time on hand.

Secretary Gage left for New York this morning. Later in the day Assistant Secretary Vanderlip weakened on his original statement and denied that Mr. Gage had tendered his resignation.

It is learned that at the time of the conversation between the President and Secretary, Mr. McKinley informed Mr. Gage that their views were in accord and that he must not think of resigning. It is regarded as certain that Mr. Gage will continue in office.

## WHAT OUR MAYOR THINKS.

(An interview without words reported by a P.-D. artist.)



## NO BAIL FOR NOVAK.

The Bond Is Very Large and Has Not Been Given.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., Dec. 28.—It now looks as if Frank Novak, convicted of the murder of Edward Murray, would not secure the \$18,000 bonds on which he is held pending an appeal to the Supreme Court. Judge Burham made an order allowing relatives to take the skull of Edward Murray, introduced in evidence in the recent trial, and inter it with the rest of the remains in the cemetery at Norway.

Harvest of Ice.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

HANNIBAL, Mo., Dec. 28.—Many of the ice dealers began putting up ice yesterday, and thus gave employment to a number of men who have been out of work for months. The ice is from eight to ten inches thick, and there are a few fields in the

## THE WEATHER FORECAST.

WARMER ON WEDNESDAY.

For St. Louis and vicinity—Partly cloudy Tuesday night and Wednesday warmer Wednesday.

For Missouri—Fair Tuesday night and Wednesday; slightly warmer Tuesday night; warmer in the east portion Wednesday.

For Illinois—Generally fair Tuesday night and Wednesday; warmer Tuesday night in the north and central portions; warmer Wednesday.

POST-DISPATCH THERMOMETER.

7 a. m.	34	11 a. m.	38
8 a. m.	34	12 noon	38
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10 a. m.	35		

## JAPANESE CABINET RESIGNS.

A Strong Ministry Needed to Cope With New Complications.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 28.—Owing to the failure of the Premier, Marquis Saigo, to reconstruct the Cabinet, all the members of that body have resigned. The newspapers demand the formation of a very strong ministry capable of coping with the situation in the East.

## ACTOR RATCLIFFE SENTENCED.

Wife Beater Gets Six Months in the Penitentiary.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Edward J. Ratcliffe, the actor who was found guilty of assault in the third degree for striking his wife, was to-day sentenced to six months in the penitentiary.

## THE POST-DISPATCH CORRESPONDENT RETURNS FROM GOMEZ'S CAMP.

Sylvester Scovel Completes a Mission of the Highest Importance to Cuba and Spain.

He carried passports from Captain-General Blanco permitting him to pass through Spanish lines to the Insurgents and granting safe conduct back to Havana, an extraordinary concession never before granted to the representative of an American newspaper.



The Correspondent Arrived at Las Tunas Monday and Will Reach the Cuban Capital Wednesday.

Special Cable to the Post-Dispatch.

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HAVANA, Cuba, Dec. 28.—The Post-Dispatch's staff correspondent, Mr. Sylvester Scovel, is returning the second time within a year from Gen. Gomez's camp.

He has arrived at Las Tunas, on the south coast of Santa Clara Province, and will proceed by steamer to Batabano, and thence by rail to this city, reaching Havana to-morrow.

On the 5th of last February Mr. Scovel was arrested on a train on his way to Las Tunas from Gen. Gomez's camp. Yesterday he reached that same Las Tunas also on his way from Gen. Gomez's camp, but instead of being a prisoner, he is honored by Spain as no other correspondent ever was honored before by any country in any war.

Last winter he made his way to Gomez without Weyler's leave. This winter he went on a mission of the highest importance to the United States, Cuba and Spain, fortified with extraordinary passports granted by Marshal Blanco, permitting him not only to pass the Spanish lines but to enter "the enemy's" lines and to return through the Spanish lines again.

Mr. Scovel was accompanied by United States Consul Madrigal of Sancti Spiritus, so that the correspondent also had the protection of an agent of the American Government while on his mission, the result of which will be cabled to the Post-Dispatch.

## AMERICAN INTERVENTION AND PAYMENT OF MONEY INDEMNITY.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 28.—Fidel G. Pierra, a member of the Cuban Junta and Chairman of its Press Committee, declares in a letter that the inevitable solution of the troubles on the island is intervention by

step is to relieve the suffering and dying. In undertaking the work of relief President McKinley has approximated the stage of actual intervention. From responses which have come in and whether it is believed that within a week there will be under way a relief movement embracing all sections of the country.



RAFAEL MADRIGAL. United States Consul in Santa Clara, Cuba, who represents Consul General Lee. He accompanies the Post-Dispatch correspondent on an unprecedented errand.

the United States and the payment by Cuba of a money indemnity to Spain to gain her independence. He does not say what Cuba can pay.

While Pierra's declaration must be given serious consideration, because of his standing, there are other significant and recent happenings that give Pierra's words greater importance.

The administration has practically been notified by Spain that the good offices of the United States for re-establishing peace in Cuba will be accepted. Charity is the chance.

Gen. Blanco called upon Consul-General Lee and requested him to intercede. The



ANARCHIST GUETLE'S ARSENAL.

## FOLEY'S FIGHT FOR LIFE.

Prospect of a Bitter Legal Contest at Liberty.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

LIBERTY, Mo., Dec. 28.—The attorneys will finish making their challenge by evening and then the trial of William Foley, on the charge of killing his mother and sister, will begin. Foley has retained Maj. Woodson of Kansas City, in addition to Messrs. Simrall and Dougherty, and a hard fight will be made to save him from hanging.

## FEDERAL JUDICIARY DEFIED BY THE STATE OF TENNESSEE.

Conflict Growing Out of the Assessment of Railways.

The acts of the State Commission increasing the tax levy set aside by the United States District Court.

The Governor Calls the Legislature in Extra Session.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Dec. 28.—A conflict is pending between the State of Tennessee and the Federal judiciary, which appears to contain exciting and sensational possibilities. It grows out of the assessment of railroad properties in this State. These assessments were increased from \$31,000,000 to \$72,000,000 by the Railroad Commission. Judge C. D. Clark of the Federal District Court granted an injunction against the Governor and his colleagues, restraining them from certifying the assessments to the Comptroller.

The decision was denounced by many State Judges and other prominent citizens as a vital attack upon the rights of a sovereign State and as the most flagrant encroachment in the line ever attempted by the Federal judiciary.



ROBERT S. TAYLOR (Governor of Tennessee).

Gov. Taylor said this morning that the extra session positively will be called to meet on the 17th. The general supposition is that it will embrace these three points: The Governor will to-day issue a

for an extra session of the Legislature. It is understood that in the call he will attack the decision of Judge Clark, and it is further asserted that he will defy the injunction and attempt the collection of the taxes on the assessments with the aid of the militia. The Governor, it is understood, declares, if necessary, he is "willing to go to jail for his people and their dignity as a commonwealth."

The situation is the one topic of conversation, and to-day's developments are eagerly awaited.

To enlarge the limits of the city of Memphis; to elect a United States Senator to fill out the unexpired term of the late Senator Harris; and to make some provision for taxing the railroads. This last has come of the injunction by Federal Judge Clark, prohibiting the assessment of railroad property as fixed by the State Railroad Commission. It now overshadows everything else, and will be the great question when the legislators assemble.



## SHOOTING OF YOUNG STEIN.

Police Think Revenge, Not Robbery, Was the Motive.

HAVE STRUCK A NEW CLEW.

TWO YOUNG MEN FOUND WHO WITNESSED THE TRAGEDY ON GRAND AVENUE.

STEIN CANNOT BE TALKED TO.

His Family and Physicians Refuse to Let the Police Interview the Patient Until His Condition Improves.

When the custodians of William Stein, who was shot Christmas night while going to a church festival, permit the detectives to question him, they may learn who fired the shots. If he dies without making a statement his mother may be able to furnish a clew.

The foregoing is the police theory. Evidence developed Tuesday tends to refute the first impression that Stein was shot by highwaymen. It is believed that he can tell things that would so strengthen this evidence that the men who shot him could be located.

Two men have been arrested on suspicion and released because their social and business reputations precluded the possibility of their being implicated in a robbery. The police decline to give their names, and say there will be no trouble about finding them if they are wanted again.

Part of the evidence against them was that they were in the locality and that they answered the descriptions of Stein's assailants.

Special Officers Shaw and Hageman of the Fifth District are working the case. They have never been permitted to question Stein nor to see his mother. They have found two witnesses of the shooting and are on the track of two others, and they do not attach much weight to the footpad theory.

The newly discovered witnesses are Harry McLaughlin, a printer, who lives at Lee and Pennsylvania streets, and Louis De Longue, a painter, who lives at 4138 Grove street.

Both are reputable young men and the stories of both are believed. De Longue says that he was walking south on Grand avenue about 8 o'clock Christmas night and saw two men lurking behind a car. Twenty feet away from him were a man and a young woman. He suspected that the men in ambush were footpads, but as they did not molest him he did not interfere. He walked on and kept a close watch on the men behind the post.

Just before he reached the men he saw William Stein coming north on Grand avenue. One of the men behind the post, said: "Here he comes. Give it to him now."

De Longue followed away from the men, for he thought they referred to him. Stein and he met about thirty feet from the post and he looked back to see what the men lying in wait would do. He could have heard a command given by Stein to the woman, but he did not hear it. He saw Stein turn and run. The men fired two shots and Stein ran a few feet towards his home and fell. The supposed footpads ran north and turned into Carter avenue. De Longue assisted Stein to Dr. Morgan's office, 429 North Grand avenue.

This was at 8 o'clock, and the police first heard of the shooting at 9:30 o'clock. Harry McLaughlin says he was going north on Grand avenue and saw two men hide behind a post in front of a vacant lot, 4201 North Grand avenue. He feared they were robbers and hid behind a post himself to watch them. He saw several persons pass the men unnoticed, and was about to try it himself when he saw them rush out at a young man and shoot him. He heard no command, "put up your hands," but it might have been given without his hearing it.

The police say it is certain that the men who shot Stein were well acquainted with the locality. A stranger could not have escaped, because the arrangement of streets is so complicated.

The police say that Stein's condition is such that he cannot safely make a statement. The bullet is supposed to be in his liver. An X-ray examination will be made as soon as the patient is able to stand it.

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The neighbors say the young man was quiet and retiring, and rarely went with young women. No one knew him who knows of any quarrel Stein ever had.

Chief Clerk Erwin, in the freight department of the St. Louis Transfer Co., does not think Stein had any enemies, and anything to do with the shooting of young Stein.

"He was a home boy and free from the dissipation and follies of youth," said Mr. Erwin. "He worked here 10 years, beginning as a messenger and working his way up to a clerkship. During all that time his conduct was most commendable."

"He supported his mother and needed all the money he made. He was as careful of his money as his fellow clerks of dollars, and didn't spend any of his money in so-called dissipation. He had no good friends or companions."

"He never got notes or telephone messages from them, and I don't believe he knew any."

Hermann Schaan, the victim's uncle, and at whose home Stein now is, is also a clerk in the office of the St. Louis Transfer Co. He said Tuesday:

"We don't let people see the boy because we don't want him excited. The doctor has given strict orders that he be kept quiet. He is in a critical condition and we don't want what turn it may take."

"The doctor thinks it is lodged in the liver. If any pus forms his death would follow."

"The boy knew no girls and cared nothing for their society. He had no rivals and I think not an enemy in the world. It is my belief that he was shot by footpads."

## MISSOURI SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Meeting of the State Association at Jefferson City.

Special to the Post-Dispatch. JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 28.—By 7 o'clock yesterday evening 500 teachers arrived to attend the State Teachers' Association, which met in general session in the Senate chamber this morning at 9 o'clock. State Superintendent John R. Kirk is president. The teachers who were in the city last night attended a round table in the State Superintendent's office.

The meeting was held at 20 and the subject of school hours was discussed by a number of the teachers. The general session opened at 9 o'clock and about 700 teachers present. The programme was interesting and well prepared.

The afternoon session met in the hall of the House of Representatives at 1:30. The first exercise on the programme for the

## PARADE OF POST-DISPATCH NEWSBOYS.



The Post-Dispatch newsboys owned the town Monday night.

They passed the afternoon getting ready to swoop down and carry off the keys of the city and nobody who saw them march up and down the streets doubted their ability to capture anything they went out after.

The day's enjoyment of the Christmas

cheer offered by the Post-Dispatch to its tireless little workers was a series of climaxes, beginning with the distribution of sweaters that literally warmed the urchins' hearts and culminating in a theater party, the like of which has never been known in St. Louis. Between these extremes were the big parade and a feast of good things.

When the parade was over the little fellows, warmly clad, many of them for the first time during the winter, got to work and sold papers. There was zest in their efforts, for they knew the big celebration was not over. When the last of the boys had sold his last copy of the 6 o'clock edition they were lined up in Post-Dispatch alley.

In relays of fifty they were admitted to the mail room, where they get their papers every afternoon.

The boys who pushed into the big room found a pleasant surprise awaiting them. The long tables were literally covered with luscious sandwiches, not attenuated railroad lunch room affairs, but the real thing.

There was hot, steaming coffee to go with the sandwiches. The big parade was formed again, and 1,300 happy boys marched to Havlin's Theater, where they were given free seats in the gallery. The gallery had never been so crowded, but the regulations were so perfect that there was no confusion.

Manager Garen gave the boys permission to yell all they wished, and they did. They shouted for the hero, called the villain names and yelled for the Post-Dispatch until the curtain went down.

Between the acts a flashlight picture of the boys was taken.

## KATHRYN KIDDER SUFFERING FROM NERVOUS PROSTRATION IN ST. LOUIS.



She Has Disbanded Her Company.

Disheartened Because of Criticisms of "Loves at War."

Kathryn Kidder is ill at the Southern Hotel. She is nervously prostrated, and her condition is said to be so serious that no one is permitted to see her.

The abrupt closure of Miss Kidder's starring tour and her serious illness are said to be due directly to her disappointment over the way her play "Loves at War" was accepted and treated by the newspapers when it received its first presentation at the Fourteenth Street Theater Thursday night.

After leaving St. Louis Saturday night last the company was booked for a route of one-night stands, the first of which was at Belleville, Ill. At the close of the performance in Belleville Sunday evening Stage Manager Deuel called the company on the stage and announced that Miss Kidder had a few words to say to her support.

Presently Kathryn Kidder, weak and pale, supported on one side by her maid and on the other by Manager Newton, came from her dressing room and made her way to the center of the crowd of stage folk.

"Ladies and gentlemen, I regret to say that my manager and I have decided to close the tour of the San-Dene company, from which I am suffering this moment has determined our course. As you all know, I am now ill and it was only the calling into play all my nerves and strength that I was able to go through St. Louis to-night."

"The company, including myself, will return at once to St. Louis. To-morrow Mr. Newton will meet you and, according to the terms of our contract, will see that you are provided with railroad tickets back

to New York City. I am loath to part from you all. My associations have never been more pleasant. Suddenly I say to you that I wish you happiness and good luck after we are separated."

The story that Miss Kidder's disappointment over her failure to add new honors as a playwright to her professional record and several chapters of a novel which is appearing serially in a Chicago magazine, and her most recent work, "Loves at War," was the labor of two years by Kathryn Kidder, and she expected great things of it. She wrote it to gratify her capacity for hard work. The sentiments of the character in "Loves at War" were the sentiments of Kathryn Kidder, the woman. Her audience, however, was not so sympathetic. She was told that the play was "too long" and "too serious" and "too much like a novel."

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## CLEVER CHICAGO WOMAN TRICKED BY A DETECTIVE.

Mrs. Fione Lillian Van Schaack, Who Got Judgment for \$65,000 Against Her Millionaire Father-in-Law, Walked Blindly Into a Trap.

Wife Dining at the Planters' Telephone Message Asked Her to Send All of Her Important Papers to Her Lawyer at Once.



Mystery still envelops the identity of the man who hoodwinked Mrs. Fione Lillian Van Schaack out of a valuable bundle of letters, some of which were to be used as evidence in her suit against Judge Peter Van Schaack, now pending.

Judge Van Schaack is a millionaire druggist of Chicago and Mrs. Van Schaack is his daughter-in-law. Her charge that the Judge alienated her husband's affections was aired when she sued him in New York for \$25,000 and got judgment. When she found she could not collect money in Illinois on her New York judgment she filed a similar suit in Chicago, asking for \$75,000 for the alienation of her husband's affections and \$50,000 for alleged libel.

Monday she came to St. Louis and lost the letters on which she relied for evidence, and several chapters of a novel which is appearing serially in a Chicago magazine. She accepted the hospitality of friends in Belleville during the holidays. She came to St. Louis Monday to visit friends, but she had no other business in the city.

She went to the Planters' Hotel for lunch. While she was in the cafe a messenger told her she was wanted at the telephone. She stepped into the telephone room. No man there called a messenger. She came from the room she called a messenger. She gave him two small handbags which she carried with her when she went to answer the message. The boy left the hotel and when he returned ten minutes later he handed Miss Van Schaack a piece of paper.

That was what was observed at the hotel. The explanation is founded on Mrs. Van Schaack's statements. She says deception was used to purloin her valuable documents, which would have been worth thousands to certain persons, who will be called upon to oppose her lawsuit against Judge Van Schaack.

Her first recital of her story was to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch Tuesday morning, she has her father, Col. Kidder, who arrived Monday evening from Chicago to attend his daughter's bedside.

The company assembled in the parlor of the St. James Hotel at 12:30 o'clock and was informed by Manager Newton that the start would be made for New York at 8:55 o'clock Tuesday evening.

and the courts. He scratched the officers, and once he got his teeth fastened in Webster's arm. His flesh was badly lacerated, and he could be forced to go. He called loudly for help to help him, but the men who were with him were unable to respond.

It looked as though Gueite would be more successful in his attempt to escape. Patrolman Nicolay went behind the desk and, picking up the rifle, held Gueite's arm and refused to let him go. He was struggling with Gueite. It was twenty minutes before Gueite began before Gueite was finally conquered.

Even after the hipsters were slipped on his wrists he raved and kicked. He fairly frothed at the mouth with rage and sought to bite his captors. He cried loudly for help and refused to be quiet. The officers feared his friends might rally and attempt a rescue. He was rammed his club into Gueite's mouth and this managed to shut up his cries.

After conquering him the police loaded Gueite into a patrol wagon and hurried him to the Work-house.

He fought against working Tuesday morning, but the Work-house guards know



MRS. VAN SCHAACK.

just sent him a valuable collection of papers. You must have heard of the Van Schaack case. I am Mrs. Van Schaack. The way she said it was her attorney, Julian Mack of Chicago. He had just reached St. Louis and was in conference with Mrs. Van Schaack's New York publisher, who threatened to bring suit against her for breach of contract. The conference was being held at the Laclede Hotel and Mrs. Van Schaack must send over all the papers relating to her affairs.

Mrs. Van Schaack did not exhibit the receipt when she told her story. She said she tore it up.

Mrs. Van Schaack told her story to no one but reporters and hotel clerks. She did not report her loss to the police.

She left for Chicago Monday night. Mrs. Van Schaack was a wealthy Chicagoan. She had no wealth but her beauty and her husband's money. In her absence Van Schaack married Miss Palmer at her Florida home. The couple cut a dash in society, but they never gained favor in the eyes of Judge Van Schaack. He was relentless in his pursuit of justice. To support his wife and broken in health, to support the management of Milton Nobles.

In 1895 Mrs. Van Schaack went to Europe. Her husband was in an office, a center which when the Duke of Hamilton shot himself in the head, and Europe rang with her name. She had been his guest on his magnificent fitted-up yacht.

She returned to find her husband impoverished and broken in health. To support him and the boy that resulted from their union she went on the stage, under the management of Milton Nobles.

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She Unsuspectingly Sent the Papers by a Boy, and They Are Supposed to Have Been Delivered to Her Father-in-Law's Detective.

message. When she had wrapped the packet carefully she put it in one of her handbags and gave the bag to Hugh Moore, a "Planter's" hotel messenger, instructing him to take it to Mr. Mack at the Laclede Hotel. The boy took the bag and a man who said it was Mr. Mack and who gave him a paper purporting to be a receipt for the papers.

Mrs. Van Schaack did not exhibit the receipt when she told her story. She said she tore it up.

Mrs. Van Schaack told her story to no one but reporters and hotel clerks. She did not report her loss to the police.

She left for Chicago Monday night. Mrs. Van Schaack was a wealthy Chicagoan. She had no wealth but her beauty and her husband's money. In her absence Van Schaack married Miss Palmer at her Florida home. The couple cut a dash in society, but they never gained favor in the eyes of Judge Van Schaack. He was relentless in his pursuit of justice. To support his wife and broken in health, to support the management of Milton Nobles.

In 1895 Mrs. Van Schaack went to Europe. Her husband was in an office, a center which when the Duke of Hamilton shot himself in the head, and Europe rang with her name. She had been his guest on his magnificent fitted-up yacht.

She returned to find her husband impoverished and broken in health. To support him and the boy that resulted from their union she went on the stage, under the management of Milton Nobles.

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## ROLLEY CAR ON FIRE.

WILD SCENE AT FRANKLIN AVENUE AND FOURTEENTH DURING THE "RUSH HOUR."

BLUE AND RED FLAMES.

The Passengers Flee Panic-Stricken Through the Only Exit, but None Were Seriously Injured.

When motor car No. 22 of the Manchester Division of the Suburban street railway reached Fourteenth street and Franklin avenue at 9:30 o'clock Tuesday morning there was a wild scene enacted.

The car was crowded with passengers. The car was going south on Fourteenth street and slowed for the crossing of the Citizens' tracks.

Suddenly a blue and red blaze flashed over the car. Women shrieked and the men tried to escape in panic. There was a hissing and spluttering which told plainly that something was wrong with the electrical apparatus. The smoke and fumes from burning wood and car, and this in itself would have been sufficient to drive the occupants out.

Though the car had been filled with frightened women and there was only one exit, it was emptied in less than a minute to tell it, and no one was seriously hurt.

One man who sat on the end of a seat next to a window had his coat sleeve badly burned. His arm was resting on the window sill and he was reading a newspaper. The flames came up from the space between the walls of the car and caught him before he knew what had happened.

An examination revealed the cause for the blaze. One of the wires that fed the heaters became grounded on the track and the fire thus started ignited the wood almost instantly.

A few buckets of water extinguished the flames and the car proceeded on its journey.

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DEATHS.

FINLEY.—At St. Ann's Asylum, Monday, Dec. 27th, 1897, in the 66th year of her age, Sister Margaret Finley.

Her funeral will take place Wednesday, the 29th inst., at 9 o'clock a. m.

GLASSON.—Anne Glasson, beloved daughter of John and Edgette Kelly, after a long and painful illness.

Due notice of funeral later. Chicago papers please copy.

GODLOVE.—Suddenly, in New York City, Monday, Dec. 27th, Moses Godlove in his 66th year.

Due notice of funeral will be given.

GRADY.—On Sunday, Dec. 26, at 2 o'clock p. m., William Grady, beloved and only brother of Patrick Grady, driver of police patrol at the Central District, and beloved husband of the late Mary Grady (nee Monahan).

Funeral will take place Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 2 o'clock, from the residence of his brother, 1312 North Fifteenth street, to St. Lawrence O'Toole's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends of the family invited to attend.

Deceased was a member of local Horsemen's Union No. 2.

HUNTER.—On Monday, Dec. 27, 1897, at 12 o'clock a. m., after a lingering illness, George Hunter, beloved son of Sarah Hunter and the late John A. Hunter and brother of John, Peter, William, Mrs. R. N. Emerson (nee Hunter) and John Norris, at the age of 29 years.

Funeral will take place from family residence, 1009 North Broadway, on Wednesday, Dec. 29, at 2 o'clock p. m. Friends of the family are invited to attend.

Cincinnati (O.) and Jerseyville (Ill.) papers please copy.

KREMER.—On Monday, Dec. 27, 1897, at 8:45 p. m., J. J. Kremer, 4235 Morgan street.

Due notice of funeral will be given.

LA BARE.—At Cairo, Ill., on Sunday, Dec. 26, 1897, Frank La Bare, only brother of Elton La Bare and Mrs. James Toomey (nee Rose La Bare), aged 55 years.

Funeral will take place from J. D. O'Brien Undertaking Co., 112 South Fourth street, on Wednesday, Dec. 29th, at 1:30 p. m., to Calvary Cemetery, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

Santa Fe (N. M.) papers please copy.

MCNECHEN.—Dec. 28, 7 a. m., Lottie Lee McNechen, daughter of Lelander and Maria McNechen.

Due notice of funeral will be given.

WILLIAMS.—On Monday, Dec. 27, at 1:35 p. m., John Williams, beloved husband of Mrs. Christina Williams (nee Kegel), aged 48 years and 2 months.

Funeral from residence, 4152 Finney avenue, Thursday, Dec.



## FOR THE ORDER OF WEINAND.

William J. Nolan Joins the Other Suspects.

IS IDENTIFIED BY ROBERTS.

THE NEW PRISONER DENIES HIS GUILT AND SAYS THE INFORMER IS CRAZY.

THE INQUEST REOPENED.

Witnesses Go Over the Same Ground, and Their Testimony Flatly Contradicts Parts of "Dublin's" Confession.

The latest development in the Weinand murder case, outside of the reopening of the inquest Tuesday, is the arrest of William J. Nolan, suspected of complicity in the murder. Nolan has been identified by Roberts, alias Dublin, as the "little stout, gray fellow" who, he was told by Murphy, was one of the ringleaders in the plot.

Nolan was arrested Monday night at his home, 4126 Sarpy avenue, by Detectives Hambrick and Kelleher. He was taken to the Four Courts, where Chief Desmond questioned him. Nolan was somewhat agitated during the beginning of the examination, but managed later to regain his composure. He admitted knowing Murphy, but denied knowing any one named Snider or Roberts.

Roberts was then brought into the office and said Nolan was the man he met in Murphy's house the day of the robbery. Nolan left the house with Roberts and Murphy, and said he had to go down town to prove an alibi in case he was arrested. The other two were to meet him in Murphy's saloon on Broadway and Carr streets, after the robbery.

When Roberts had concluded this statement, Nolan turned to the Chief and said: "The man is crazy. He could not, however, give a good account of his movements on the day of the murder."

Murphy was brought to the office. Nolan acknowledged knowing Murphy, but the latter would neither admit nor deny knowing Nolan, saying he would say nothing until he saw his lawyer.

The inquest on the body of Jacob Weinand was resumed Tuesday morning at 10:30. Interest in the tragedy was revived by the arrest of Murphy, Snider and Nolan as accessories to the crime, and when Coroner Wait began the examination of witnesses every inch of space in the office and in the corridors outside was occupied by curious spectators. The ante-room was given up to the witnesses, of whom there were at least thirty-five.

Most of these witnesses were those who testified at the inquest last week, and had been recalled for the purpose of giving them a chance to refresh their memories on certain points of their former testimony and make any alterations which might prove of importance to the police.

Chief of Detectives Desmond, Detective Alender and Capt. Phillips were present at the inquest and occasionally prompted the Coroner in his examination.

Mr. Kinsler, the freed store man, was the first witness. Mr. Kinsler was positive in his declaration that he had seen Weinand at a clock in the afternoon of the day of the murder. The old man was standing on the platform at the feed store door.

Mr. Foskett, his partner, corroborated this statement, and said he placed the time so positively because he had looked at his watch while Weinand was standing near him.

Mrs. Wohlbrink, who lives underneath the Weinand rooms, was recalled and repeated her former statement that when she arrived at her home from a visit to her mother, at 2:15 p. m., she saw the broken window glass on the ground in her yard, which it was afterward learned, had been broken by Weinand during the struggle. She is positive the murder was committed before 2:30 p. m.

The testimony of these witnesses flatly contradicts the statement of "Dublin," the prisoner, who says that the robbery was committed about 1:30 p. m.

The police introduced a half-dozen rebuttals as witnesses to testify that Murphy and Roberts had been seen by them in conversation on the morning of the murder.

Mrs. Whalen also testified that she saw Weinand when she saw in conversation with Roberts, after he called Roberts out of her house on the levee.

Roberts was then called to the stand. He said he was willing to make a sworn statement, and he was placed on oath. He repeated the statement he had made to Chief Desmond on Christmas and declared positively that Murphy and Nolan were his accomplices in the crime. He said that the share in the transaction was that he had learned from Murphy and Nolan, both of whom told him that Snider was to be given a quarter of the "swag" for furnishing valuable information about Weinand.

William Roberts, James Murphy, Fred Snider and W. J. Nolan were held responsible for the death of Jacob Weinand by the coroner's jury, at the inquest which was concluded at noon Tuesday, and Roberts are named as principals, and Snider and Nolan as accessories. The prisoners heard the verdict with great outward show of emotion, and were remanded to the holdover.

**KILLED BY A TRAIN AT BENTON**

Harry Bullard, a Collector, Didn't See No. 6 Approaching.

The man killed by a Missouri Pacific train at Benton, Mo., Monday afternoon, was identified Tuesday as Harry Bullard, who lived with his parents a mile north of Kirkwood.

His father, Henry Bullard, is a collector for the Singer Manufacturing Company of St. Louis.

The dead man was 35 years old. He was collector for a number of physicians and lawyers in St. Louis County. He came to St. Louis Monday afternoon and delivered a message from his father to the Singer Manufacturing Co. He returned home, getting off at Benton.

As he walked around the rear of the train passenger train No. 6, eastbound, struck him, hurling him into the air. His body was brought to St. Louis on the train which killed him. His father is out of town. Officials of the Singer Manufacturing Co. wired him of the accident.

**PRISONERS IN THE HOLDOVER.**

Certain Four Courts Attorneys Think They Are Discriminated Against.

John A. Gerness and other Four Courts lawyers announce that they will present a petition to Chief Harrigan, protesting against what they term unjust discrimination in the matter of access to prisoners in the holdover.

The petition is now ready for signatures. It is alleged that some Four Courts practitioners are allowed to enter the holdover, while the petitioners are forced to talk to prisoners through a screen from the outside.

## HOLIDAY MERRY-MAKERS AT THE WEST END HOTEL ENJOY A CAKE WALK.

Colored Employees of That Institution Now Hold Their "Hoids" so High They Can Only See the Electric Lights on the Ceiling.

The colored boys who "tote cabs" and carry ice water at the swell West End Hotel couldn't see anything below the level of the electric lights that stud the

spiriting sound of the clapping of Lily white and diamond-decked hands will know that she is the "warmest of the bunch."

In the big dining-room of the hotel Monday night Joe Powell, who is black and lean and lithe, rubbed elbows with Col. H. M. Moss, who is white and chubby and dignified. And Joe's black Venus-leaned on Joe's arm and smiled in the approving faces of social queens.

The West End Hotel cake-walk was devised by Manager A. E. Sumner. The walkers were employees of the hotel and their "ladies."

The details were looked after by a committee consisting of Seth W. Cobb, C. H. Spencer, Dr. Otto E. Forster, Virgil M. Harris, Dr. Duncan Thomas Dunn, A. L. Wolff, H. L. Niedringhaus, A. Friedman, J.

and Messrs. C. W. Blow and D. L. Parrish were chosen judges of the cake-walk. Sunny Africa's 40 took the hall by storm. They stepped high, smiled wide and bowed low and made an instantaneous hit.

Joe and Mary Powell won the first prize, a \$10-bill and a cake. The other prizes were won by Joseph Stewart and Evalina Harten, John Macon and Maude Winn, and Jack Kennedy and Annie Batte.

The cake-walk was followed by a hop. At the conclusion of the West End Hotel



AFTER THE FIRST WALK.

ceiling of the lobby, Tuesday morning. They carried their "hoids" high and smiled broadly.



A NEW FIGURE.

C. Jannopoulos, J. A. Baer, A. Sondheimer, W. E. Simpson, W. H. Chappell, E. J. Lunnon, J. D. L. Carlin, G. P. Whitelaw, C. O. Austin, H. C. Wicker, Col. H. M. Moss, N. A. McMillan, H. M. Coudrey, George S. McGrew, J. M. Hayes, A. J. Miller, C. A. Forster, S. J. Fisher and T. G. Ratcliffe.

Before the cake-walk Hon. Seth W. Cobb made a speech. Virgil M. Harris recited a monologue. There was buck and wing dancing by two of the colored bell boys.

Col. H. M. Moss thawed out long enough to recite.

Mrs. Henry V. Lucas, Miss Willie Carr

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A LA BROADWAY.

entertainment the participants went to the Natatorium to take part in a cake-walk given by the "Proper Caper Club."

Miss Maude Winn, who with John Macon carried off third prize at the society cake-walk, had Dan Washington for a partner at the Natatorium. They won second prize.

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## THE HEAVIEST LADY AT THE COUNTER.

Mrs. Allen the Heaviest Lady Tax-Payer in St. Louis.

SAM'L CUPPLES PAYS \$40,000.

TAX RECEIPTS ARE NOW A QUARTER OF A MILLION DOLLARS A DAY.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE CROWDED

The Delinquency Penalty After Jan. 1 Is 8 Per Cent Per Annum and There Is a Mad Rush at Wenneker's.

Every afternoon this week at 2 o'clock four trusty men leave the City Hall in a close carriage and drive directly to the National Bank of Commerce. They are supplied with guns of the most approved pattern.

These men are the daily guardians of nearly a quarter of a million dollars of the municipality's wealth, representing taxes paid by citizens who are anxious to avoid the penalty imposed upon delinquents.

The days of grace for 1897 taxes end Friday evening at 6 o'clock. That is why the City Collector's office is one of the busiest places in St. Louis this week.

The aggregate tax collections for 1897 fall short of the preceding year on account of the havoc wrought by the tornado, which swept the city shortly before the Assessor made his figures for 1897.

"Where there was a house and lot before the tornado we probably found only a lot afterward," explained Chief Clerk Jones of the Assessor's office, "and that is how our figures shrink. Of course we could not assess a property owner for a house which was only a pile of ruins. In such cases we noted the lot only."

City Collector Wenneker's receipt for current revenue tax bills shows, exclusive of dram shop licenses, harbor collections and special assessments, \$7,660,000. That amount is \$23,000 less than was received for the preceding year by Mayor Henry Ziegenhein, who was then City Collector. In the aggregate, the taxable wealth of St. Louis has increased with the natural healthy growth of the city, but overbalancing such growth is the shortage for which the tornado is responsible.

But St. Louis is enormously wealthy and next year the cyclone will have no influence on tax collections, because of the rebuilding of the desolated district.

One afternoon last September when taxes were first announced due, a woman walked into the Collector's office. Her coachman waited at the market street entrance to the new City Hall.

"I want to pay my taxes," she said, and at the same time she laid upon the counter \$115.00.

That woman was Mrs. Ann R. Allen, and in exchange for her immense deposit of money she received a receipt showing that the rich Allen estate had paid its tax obligation for 1897.

William H. Thompson, of the Bank of Commerce, told the Collector's office one day that he had \$7,000 on nonpayment as a delinquent owl car patron pays five cents for a year's membership. Mr. Thompson was simply paying his taxes.

Samuel Cupples dropped \$40,000 into the municipal slot last fall and Adolphus Busch came along with \$35,000.

The list of St. Louisans who pay an annual tax of \$30,000 is a long one. The \$30,000 list is still longer, and so on down.

There are not a few of the wealthy St. Louisans who ever allow their taxes to become delinquent," said City Collector Wenneker, "for they not afford to pay the penalty. This year all of the heaviest payers have already obtained their receipts. The penalty on delinquents is 8 per cent per annum or at that rate for as many months as the delinquency is prolonged. Take even 1 per cent of \$40,000 tax, of which there are several, and see how it runs up. We have numerous comparatively big taxpayers yet to hear from, but none of the heaviest. And by the way, have here you can easily see that there is general scramble to get within the fold."

With a reporter for the Post-Dispatch called at the City Collector's office Monday afternoon, fifty-three clerks were busily at work. There was an incessant scribbling of pens on the ruled surface of big books. Counter clerks answered questions patiently, but firmly. There was no time for ceremony. There was a constant scribbling of the pen on the books.

The immense throng inward bound, jostled against an equally immense throng going outward. It was a big crowd of St. Louisans bent on a common mission—the payment of taxes with grace survives.

There are some depositors, but a few fine large sacks of real money at the busy counter.

"Counting Monday's collections we will certainly take in a round million dollars to supper time Friday night," said Collector Wenneker.

The manner in which Collector Wenneker

The happiest moment in a woman's life is when she feels for the first time the clinging caress of her own baby's fingers. How many thousands of women miss this greatest, womanliest happiness, and live out dreary, loveless, lives, because of ill-suppressed importance of healthy vigor and strength of the organs distinctly feminine. Unless a woman is willing to be at least a childless woman, she cannot afford to neglect this feature of her health.

The best known and most successful medicine for the cure of all diseases and weaknesses of the female reproductive organs is Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. Hundreds of homes that for years remained childless now ring with childish laughter as a result of the beneficial effects of the "Favorite Prescription." It is the preparation of an eminent and skillful specialist, Dr. R. V. Pierce. For years it has been used by Dr. Pierce in his daily practice in the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, at Buffalo, N. Y., the greatest institution of the kind in the world. It has relieved thousands of women from suffering and pain and prepared them for the successful performance of the duties of maternity.

W. R. Malcolm, of Knobel, Clay County, Arkansas, writes: "Since I last wrote you we have had a baby girl born to me. My wife took your 'Golden Medical Discovery' and also your 'Favorite Prescription' all during the expectant period and until confinement, and she had no trouble to mention. A stouter, healthier child was never born. One day she was not even sick a day. Has not had so much as the colic. It is a fact that she was not to be up with her as often as twice at night since her birth. My wife had never been a fever for the two or three days after the child was born, although she had no trouble to mention. A stouter, healthier child was never born. One day she was not even sick a day. Has not had so much as the colic. It is a fact that she was not to be up with her as often as twice at night since her birth. My wife had never been a fever for the two or three days after the child was born, although she had no trouble to mention. A stouter, healthier child was never born. 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## THE ORDER OF WEINAND.

William J. Nolan Joins the Other Suspects.

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THE NEW PRISONER DENIES HIS GUILT AND SAYS THE FORMER IS CRAZY.

THE INQUEST REOPENED.

Witnesses Go Over the Same Ground, and Their Testimony Flatly Contradicts Paria of "Dublin's" Confession.

The latest development in the Weinand murder case, outside of the reopening of the inquest Tuesday, is the arrest of William J. Nolan, suspected of complicity in the murder. Nolan has been identified by Robert, alias Dublin, as the "little stout, gray fellow," who, he was told by Murphy, was one of the ringleaders in the plot.

Nolan was arrested Monday night at his home, 418 Barry avenue, by Detectives Hambrick and Kelleher. He was taken to the Four Courts, where Chief Desmond questioned him. Nolan was somewhat agitated during the beginning of the examination, but managed later to regain his composure. He admitted knowing Murphy, but denied knowing any one named Snider or Roberts.

Roberts was then brought into the office and said Nolan was the man he met in Murphy's house the day of the robbery. Nolan left the house with Roberts and Murphy, and said he had to go down town to prove an alibi in case he was arrested. He said he was with Murphy in the latter's saloon, on Broadway and Carr streets, after the robbery.

When Roberts had concluded this statement, Nolan turned to the Chief and said: "The man is crazy." He could not, however, give a good account of his movements on the day of the murder. Murphy was brought into the office. Nolan acknowledged knowing Murphy, but the latter would not admit nor deny knowing Nolan, saying he would say nothing until he saw his lawyer.

The inquest on the body of Jacob Weinand was resumed Tuesday morning at 10:30. Interest in the tragedy has been revived by the arrest of Murphy, Snider and Nolan as accessories to the crime, and when Coroner Wait began the examination of witnesses every inch of space in the office and in the corridors outside was occupied by curious spectators. The ante-room was given up to the witnesses, of whom there were at least thirty-five.

Most of these witnesses were those who testified at the inquest last week, and had been recalled for the purpose of giving them a chance to refresh their memories on certain points of their former testimony and make any alterations which might prove of importance to the police.

Chief of Detectives Desmond, Detective Allender and Capt. Phillips were present at the inquest and occasionally prompted the Coroner in his examination.

Mr. Kissner, the feed store man, was the first witness. Mr. Kissner was positive in his declaration that he had seen Weinand at 8 o'clock in the afternoon of the day of the murder. The old man was standing on the platform at the feed store door.

Mr. Fokett, his partner, corroborated this statement, and said he placed the time so positively because he had looked at his watch while Weinand was standing near him.

Mr. Wohlbrink, who lives underneath the Weinand room, was recalled and repeated his former statement that when she arrived at her home from a visit to her mother, at 2:15 p. m., she saw the broken window glass on the ground in her yard, which, it is after learned, had been broken by Weinand during the struggle. She is positive the murder was committed before 2:15 p. m.

The testimony of these witnesses flatly contradicts the statement of "Dublin," the prisoner, who says that the robbery was committed about 1:30 p. m., and that he was with Murphy and Nolan in the latter's saloon at the time.

The police introduced a half-dozen routeabouts as witnesses to testify that Murphy and Roberts had been seen by them in conversation on the morning of the murder. Mrs. Whalen also identified Murphy as the man when she saw in conversation with Roberts, after he called Roberts out of her house on the levee.

Roberts was then called to the stand. He said he was willing to make a sworn statement, and he was placed on oath. He repeated the statement he had made positively that Murphy and Nolan were his accomplices in the crime. He said that the only knowledge he possessed of Snider's share in the transaction was what he learned from Murphy and Nolan, both of whom told him that Snider was to be given a quarter of the "swag" for furnishing valuable information about Weinand.

William Roberts, James Murphy, Fred Snider and W. J. Nolan were held responsible for the death of Jacob Weinand, by the coroner's jury. The inquest was concluded at noon Tuesday. Murphy and Roberts are named as principals, and Snider and Nolan as accessories. The prisoners heard the verdict read without any outward show of action, and were remanded to the holdover.

**PRISONERS IN THE HOLDOVER.**

Certain Four Courts Attorneys Think They Are Discriminated Against.

John A. Gernes and other Four Courts lawyers announced that they will present a petition to Chief of the holdover, asking what they term unjust discrimination in the matter of access to prisoners in the holdover.

The petition is now ready for signatures. It is alleged that the Four Courts practitioners are allowed to enter the holdover, contrary to rules, and to ascertain how much money the prisoner can pay for better services and are accorded other privileges, while the petitioners are not allowed to talk to prisoners through a screen from the outside.

The presentation of this petition will probably bring to an issue a wordy war that has long been in progress between Four Courts lawyers.

## HOLIDAY MERRY-MAKERS AT THE WEST END HOTEL ENJOY A CAKE WALK.

Colored Employees of That Institution Now Hold Their "Hairs" so High They Can Only See the Electric Lights on the Ceiling.



The colored boys who "tote cabs" and carry ice water at the swell West End Hotel couldn't see anything below the level of the electric lights that stud the ceiling.

The spritling sound of the clapping of lily white and diamond-decked hands will know that she is the "warmest of the bunch." In the big dining-room of the hotel Monday night Joe Powell, who is black and lean and lithe, rubbed elbows with Col. H. M. Moss, who is white and chubby and dignified. And Joe's black Venus-leaned on Joe's arm and smiled in the approving faces of social queens.

The West End Hotel cake-walk was devised by Manager A. E. Sumner. The waiters were employees of the hotel and their "ladies."

The details were looked after by a committee consisting of Seth W. Cobb, C. H. Spencer, Dr. Otto E. Forster, Virgil M. Harris, Dr. Duncan, Thomas Dunn, A. L. Wolff, H. L. Niedringhaus, A. Friedman, J.



AFTER THE FIRST WALK.

ceiling of the lobby, Tuesday morning. They carried their "hairs" high and smiled broadly.



A NEW FIGURE.

C. Jannopoulos, J. A. Baer, A. Sondheimer, W. E. Simpson, W. H. Chappell, E. J. Lunnon, J. D. L. Carlin, G. P. Whitlaw, C. O. Austin, H. C. Wicker, Col. H. M. Moss, N. A. McMillan, H. M. Coudrey, George S. McGrew, J. M. Hays, A. J. Miller, C. A. Forster, S. J. Fisher and T. G. Ratcliffe.

Before the cake-walk Hon. Seth W. Cobb made a speech. Virgil M. Harris recited a monologue. There was buck and wing dancing by two of the colored bell boys. Col. H. M. Moss thawed out long enough to

Mrs. Henry V. Lucas, Miss Willie Carr

O, I DON'T KNOW.

They had been permitted to contribute to the holiday gaiety of the exclusive colony of white folks who make their home at the hotel. Society had smiled upon their



"cool black ladies" and placed upon them that indefinable but indelible stamp that fixed their position in the dark brown swiftness of St. Louis. Henceforth the West End Hotel bell boy will respond to the call of "front" with the dignity of an African King who for the first time feels the restraining influence of a silk hat and a pair of cuffs.

The colored bells who stepped high to the strains of sweet music and the in-

AND THEY PLAYED THE PAS MALA.

CHARLES GREEN'S REPLY.

His Reasons Why He Should Not Be Removed as Receiver.

Charles Green, Receiver of the People's Railway Company, filed his returns Tuesday to the motion of Lewis M. Runney asking for his removal as receiver.

Mr. Green's return is quite lengthy, detailing the facts of the case from his side of it. He admits he was formerly the president of the road and was a large shareholder in both the People's road and the Fourth Street and Arsenal Railway.

As to the alleged misappropriation of the road, he says there was no dispute at the time of the transaction. The People's road and the Fourth Street and Arsenal were conducted as one road, as the owners' interests and directors of the four were practically the same. The Fourth

Street line had no separate bank account, and all the funds of that road were deposited with the People's road.

As to misleading reports of the condition of the roads Mr. Green says they were made, but that all parties interested were kept constantly informed of the condition of the finances.

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JUMPED FROM A WINDOW.

Michael Kavanaugh's Escape From His Burning Home.

The home of Michael Kavanaugh, 1302 Shawmut place, was destroyed by fire at 10:30 o'clock Monday night, and Mr. Kavanaugh had a narrow escape from death.

The family had retired early, and within an hour or two the first floor was aflame, caused, probably, by a lump of coal dropping to the floor from the grate. The fire burned furiously at once, and the family were at last awakened by the smoke which came rolling upstairs.

There was a scramble for escape, and all got safely out except Mr. Kavanaugh. He was forced to get on the sill of the second story window and jump to the ground.

The distance was so great that he received serious injuries, among them a broken leg. By this time the firemen had arrived and a neighbor, A. O. Terry, 115 Salmon place, where he was attended by physicians, and cared for during the night.

House and contents were entirely destroyed, causing a loss of about \$1,000.

Property Owners Ask That the Trustees Be Perpetually Restrained.

Property owners whose land has recently been taken into the corporate limits of Kirkwood, brought suit in the Circuit Court at Clayton Monday afternoon against the Kirkwood Board of Trustees for an injunction to perpetually restrain the trustees from fixing the rate of taxation within the recent extension.

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and Messrs. C. W. Blow and D. L. Parrish were chosen judges of the cake-walk. Sunny Africa's 400 took the hall by storm. They stepped high, smiled wide and bowed low and made an instantaneous hit. Joe and Mary Powell won the first prize, a \$10-bill and a cake. The other prizes were won by Joseph Stewart and Evalina Harten, John Macon and Maude Winn, and Jack Kennedy and Annie Batte. The cake-walk was followed by a hop. At the conclusion of the West End Hotel



A LA BROADWAY.

entertainment the participants went to the Nataritorium to take part in a cake-walk given by the "Proper Caper Club."

Miss Maude Winn, who with John Macon carried off third prize at the society cake-walk, had Dan Washington for a partner at the Nataritorium. They won second prize.



SOMETHING NOT OFTEN SEEN.



BOUGHT A GOLD BRICK.

When He Tired of His Trade Farmer Dubeling's Head Was Gashed.

John Dubeling, a farmer living near Portage at St. Louis, was found on the sidewalk about 3 o'clock Monday morning, bleeding from the left eye and a wound on the forehead. Stunned by the blows and steeped in liquor, Dubeling was unable to give any account of himself, until he was revived by Dr. Thompson at the City Dispensary.

Dubeling says he was in a saloon on Market, near Eighteenth street, where he took several drinks and traded his gun for a gold watch for what turned out to be a "gold brick." He wanted to rue the trade, but the man who got his watch and a confederate pummeled him on the head and kicked him out to the street.

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## SHE LEAD \$55,000 ON THE COUNTER.

Mrs. Allen the Heaviest Lady Tax-Payer in St. Louis.

SAM'L CUPPLES PAYS \$40,000.

TAX RECEIPTS ARE NOW A QUARTER OF A MILLION DOLLARS A DAY.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE CROWDED

The Delinquency Penalty After Jan. 1 Is 8 Per Cent Per Annum and There Is a Mad Rush at Wencker's.

Every afternoon this week at 2 o'clock four trusty men leave the City Hall in a close carriage and drive directly to the National Bank of Commerce. They are supplied with guns of the most approved pattern. These men are the daily guardians of nearly a quarter of a million dollars of the municipality's wealth, representing taxes paid by citizens who are anxious to avoid the penalty imposed upon delinquents.

The days of grace for 1897 taxes end Friday evening at 6 o'clock. That is why the City Collector's office is one of the busiest places in St. Louis this week.

The aggregate tax collections for 1897 fall short of the preceding year on account of the havoc wrought by the tornado, which swept the city shortly before the Assessor made his figures for 1897.

"Where there was a house and lot before the tornado we probably found only a lot afterward," explained Chief Clerk Jones of the Assessor's office, "and that is how our figures shrank. Of course we could not assign a figure for a house which was only a pile of ruins. In such cases we noted the lot only."

City Collector Wencker's receipt for current revenue tax bills shows, exclusive of draft shop licenses, harbor collections and other special, \$7,000,000. That amount is \$20,000 less than was received for the preceding year by Mayor Henry Ziegler, who was then City Collector. In the aggregate, the taxable wealth of St. Louis has increased with the natural healthy growth of the city, but overbalancing such growth is the shortage for which the tornado is responsible.

But St. Louis is enormously wealthy and next year the cyclone will have no influence on tax collections, because of the rebuilding of the desolated district.

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## FOR WHAT PURPOSE?

Congress may well hesitate before amending the Interstate Commerce Act, to broaden its scope and make it effective. For what purpose shall the act be broadened in scope and made effective—to protect the people or to strengthen the railroad combinations in oppression?

In view of the practical assurance that Judge Paxson will succeed Col. Morrison, this question is pertinent. Judge Paxson is receiver of the Reading Railway, and a member of a powerful railroad combine. He is a holder of railroad securities. He has shown on the bench a strong bias in favor of railway and other corporations.

Why make the Interstate Commerce act broader and more effective for interpretation and enforcement in favor of railroad combines by their tools? Are not the combines strong enough now?

Placing Paxson on the Interstate Commerce Commission is like putting a criminal on the bench to judge criminals.

## ITS OWN REWARD.

The Post-Dispatch appreciates the generous expression of gratitude on the part of Majors C. and S. Miles of the Salvation Army for the aid extended by the Post-Dispatch and its readers in making the Christmas dinner of the destitute a great success.

But the pleasure of the Post-Dispatch and its readers in the Christmas dinner is not found in the gratitude of the Salvation Army, whose members labored so hard for its success, but in the fact that it was a success, and that thousands of the homeless and hungry poor were comforted with kindness and a substantial feast. The good deed and the knowledge of the joy it caused in the hearts of the needy sufferer is the Post-Dispatch and its liberal friends.

That great Christmas dinner is a pleasant memory to those who gave it and those who ate it. It strengthened the bond of human brotherhood. All who had anything to do with it are the better for it.

Somebody should have made President McKinley a Christmas present of a new and strong backbone. He goes into the new year doing the bidding of those who are working the Government for their own private interests.

## WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

City Government, a New York monthly magazine, has this to say regarding St. Louis street sprinkling contracts for the coming season:

According to the new specifications 515 miles of streets will be sprinkled in St. Louis next season. For the season recently ended 48 miles of streets received attention and the sprinkling was done at an average cost of \$20 per mile for the entire term of eight and one-half months. The specifications called for four sprinklings a day, but very few streets were sprinkled that often. Next season the specifications will be rigidly enforced.

This will be good news to St. Louis taxpayers. They will want to know, however, on what authority City Government makes the announcement that "next season the specifications will be rigidly enforced."

Mayor Ziegenhain was installed on April 11, 1897. He has been in office the entire season, during which the sprinkling has been neglected or badly done. As the above named magazine puts it, "The specifications called for four sprinklings a day, but very few streets were sprinkled that often." The season was characterized by an unusually long dry spell and yet miles of residence streets only received one sprinkling a day.

Why should Mayor Ziegenhain, who has more than once publicly advised the breaking of city ordinances, compel the carrying out of the sprinkling ordinance in 1898 any more than in 1897? St. Louisans would like to know the ground of this faith.

The new Mayor of Louisville, Mr. Weaver, has started out to become a record breaker in the kindly care of his relatives at the expense of the city. The Weaver list, with full-term, salaries, headed by himself, reads: Charles P. Weaver, \$20,000; Brother Harry, \$9,600; Uncle Frank (six years), \$30,000; Uncle Clarence, \$12,000; Brother Cliff, \$10,000.

Brother-in-law Ross, \$4,000; Cousin Alf, \$14,000; total, \$99,600. For a beginning, this is doing pretty well. There may be other Mayors, however, who could make a similar exhibit.

## AN UNAVOIDABLE ISSUE.

Hugh J. Brady is making desperate efforts to evade the issue in the suit of the Sedalla Board of Trade for the \$1,200 placed in his hands. He may succeed in evading it. He may avoid the payment of the money.

But there is one issue that Brady cannot evade. That is the issue that Brady made against himself when he declared under oath that the statement made by him to the Democratic Investigating Committee was a lie. He cannot efface the brand of liar which he has affixed to his own forehead.

Nor can Gov. Stephens evade the issues of character that Brady has raised. Brady's confession in this suit that he lied and that he thinks it proper to lie when not under oath and in danger of punishment for perjury, is consistent with his confession and attempted justification of bribery before the Grand Jury. Gov. Stephens must take the consequences of appointing to office a confessed acceptor of bribes and, if he does not remove Brady, of keeping in office a confessed liar, who is trying to evade an accounting of money placed in his hands.

The business men of St. Louis have made the city a financial Gibraltar; the Post-Dispatch is making it a newspaper Gibraltar.

## GETTING OUT OF DEBT.

Missouri may be free from debt in five years from now, says State Treasurer Pitts. In 1899 the State debt was \$11,759,832. The State constitution requires that Missouri shall pay a quarter of a million of her indebtedness each year. But Missouri can and does pay half a million, principal and interest, without any complaints being forthcoming as the taxes being burdensome. This is her record for 1897.

The State of Missouri has taxable wealth amounting to over \$76,000,000. Is it any wonder that she is paying her debt off rapidly? With wealth so great, and with annual productions estimated at \$400,000,000, it would be a matter for complaint if Missouri did not pay her debt easily and rapidly.

The payment in full of the State debt will mean much to Missouri. It will add to the value of every farm and every acre of land in the State. It will enhance the reputation of the State as a good place in which to live.

But while debt is a great evil, it is not the only evil. Having paid off the State debt the people of Missouri should consider how best to promote their material and spiritual welfare. They should give Missouri the distinction of having the finest roads and the best schools in the Union.

A good man is the most valuable possession of a community and the fact that Mr. D. M. Houser is the manager of a rival newspaper does not obscure from the view of the Post-Dispatch those excellent qualities which have earned for him the generous title of "Iron Horse."

Mr. Houser embraces the community in his deanship and has recently given an admirable example of how the office ought to be filled by his effective work in behalf of Jefferson Barracks and the Arcadian rifle range. It is recognized among all who interested themselves in this St. Louis object that Mr. Houser's personal work contributed greatly to its success.

The Christmas season was admirably crowned with the joy of the 2,000 Post-Dispatch newboys, who were treated to a beautiful Christmas dinner and a string show yesterday. The newboys' lives are full of hardships, and no one who saw the little fellows reveling in the glory of the parade, in the substantial comforts of the abundant feast and the joys of the play, was untouched by sympathetic glow. It was a bright spot in the lives of the hard-working boys.

Minister Woodford's note is an innocuous document, more in the nature of an explanation and an apology than anything else. Yet the Spanish press vents a flood of abuse on the United States on account of it. Is not the President growing weary of being kicked for his pains in behalf of Spain?

The Illinois taxpayer has good reason to grit his teeth. The Legislature called together by Gov. Tanner not only draws pay for the holiday time, in which it is not in session, but it is likely to "sit long into the winter," and for what? To work out the schemes of greedy politicians.

Purging the pension rolls of perjury is unquestionably the duty of the present Administration. Unhappily for the Government, the purging is to come—if it really does come—after enormous sums have been fraudulently drawn from the Treasury.

The new year should see all along the line an advance upon the trusts. Unfortunately the combinations are controlling the present national Administration and they are not without influence in the States.

The map shows how easily China would fit to the Russian Empire and, doubtless, the Czar would like nothing better than to drive out all his fellow meddlers in the affairs of China.

The number of people who will begin the new year divorced is large. It is a day, but very few for hasty marriages. There should be an effort to reduce the record for 1898.

If Mr. McKinley had published poster photographs of his appointees before his election he might easily have missed the White House.

The Financial Gibraltar of St. Louis is correctly located. In five years the great State of Missouri will be out of debt.

The Senate will serve the country well by leaving Paxson in Pennsylvania.

## In Clarion Tones.

Our esteemed evening contemporary calls, in clarion tones, upon Gov. Stephens to rebuke Hugh Brady by ordering him to step down and as Election Commissioner.

## IN THE PUBLIC EYE.



H. W. CORBETT.  
This is a picture of the man who, it is expected, will be seated as a United States Senator from Oregon, before Christmas, thus filling the Upper House at Washington to its constitutional limit.

## MAKES HER OWN GIFTS.

The German Empress has just completed a beautiful altar cloth for the castle chapel at Ploers, the town where her sons are being educated. So anxious was the industrial Augustus to finish her task that she sat up working until 3 o'clock in the morning. The cloth is of pale blue satin embroidered with white lilies and intricate white-and-silver scrollwork. It is to be used on special occasions only. It is to make its first appearance upon the altar on Christmas Day and a few weeks later on the confirmation of the Crown Prince Wilhelm.

## RURAL REPARTEE.



Tramp: What are you cawing so much for?  
Crow: Because I have caws enough.

## NEVER WENT BROKE.

Bumps: What do you do when you get hard up?  
Dumps: I cash the checks on my coat, see?

## POST-DISPATCH SNAP SHOTS.

If Windytown is not to be  
Once more a barren bog, O!  
All the ding crows and bad how-wows  
Will have to leave Chicago.

With Mr. Armour's bogus butter profits he ought to be able to do a great deal in wheat.

It is a pity that Mrs. O'Leary's cow had not lived to toss the dog that set fire to the Chicago Coliseum.

As a man with long legs can get over the ground faster than a man whose legs are short, so are the big ships outstripping the little ones.

Senator Culom is sure that although his candidate for the United States Commerce Commission is Litter in name he is bigger in capacity than Judge Paxson.

While they are waiting for a new Coliseum, our friends, the Chicagoans, are cordially invited to drop into our big show-house as often as possible.

It is said to be difficult to find heavy villains for the trusts.

Some magnates should be provided with a trust magnate should be provided at once for the benefit of the drama.

There were several future Congressmen among the 2,000 sturdy lads who ki-yi-ked for the Post-Dispatch so enthusiastically yesterday. Possibly there was a President.

The New Jersey pocketbook made of a murderer and robber's skin should be sent to some leading grabber of these days of greed. It would be a suitable receptacle for gains ill gotten.

The baby "Richard III." of St. Louis and the baby Hercules of Chicago are two youngsters who will be tremendous power in the making of a valiant fight upon the stage.

On a map, Greater New York takes the shape of a goose. There can hardly be a doubt that the expanded city is to be plucked and that many unscrupulous persons there expect to feather their nests.

## MISSOURI POLITICS.

From the Springfield (Mo.) Republican.  
Gov. Stephens threatens to remove the Police Commissioners of Kansas City unless they appoint the chief of police of his choice. The Governor evidently labors under the impression that he is the whole thing.

From the Kansas City Times.  
By hard work L. V. Stephens will fail to achieve his apparent ambition to make Missouri a Republican State.

From the Pleasant Hill (Mo.) Gazette.  
Will the pardon of bank wrecker Sattley of Kansas City by Gov. Stephens, popularly the Democratic party in Jackson County? Eight thousand depositors, a majority of whom were laboring men and women, lost \$2,000,000 through his open and systematic thievery, but Stephens turned him out of the penitentiary because "he was a boy." Sattley was only 40 years old.

From the Pleasant Hill (Mo.) Gazette.  
Brother McGuilly of the Rochester Commercial in making a valiant fight upon Sam Cough and Editor Cox has, of course, no thought of his per diem as an employee of a political boss.

## THE YOUNGEST GUEST.

For the youngest member of the family there is a pretty design in French nainsook, all made by hand, even to the tucks. The only trimming is hemstitching, which is used very freely. There is hemstitching around the bottom of the skirt, hemstitching on the shoulder ruffle and the little ruffling around the hands and neck has also a very delicate hemstitching in its design.

One of the prettiest features in the little dress is the holly red roseette which catches down the ruffle on each side of the front, thus relieving the white material. The little shoes and stockings are also of holly-colored silk, and a baby ribbon of holly is tied in double rows around the waist.



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## SWEARING OFF.

I have reformed. This very day I've sworn off swearing, smoking and drinking, as I'll prove; but say I'll vow I'm nearly choking. It's very hard, no matter what May be the purist's thinking. When once a man has fairly got into the way of drinking.

The same of swearing. Now, you folks who are not used to cursing. Don't notice how a fellow chokes. When once he gets to fussing. And things go wrong and luck is bad. And fate is most provoking. No wonder that he drinks, eats, and solace finds in smoking.

Of course, 'twill be a task at first. While all this load I'm bearing. And often I will nearly burst. To keep myself from swearing; But there'll come ease by slow degrees. Though oft a fellow catches—

What? Yes, a little whisky, please. Have you got any matches?

## CAUSE AND EFFECT.

Mrs. Benham: I am going to give you a box of cigars for Christmas. Now, what shall I give you for New Year?  
Benham: A wreath, with the word "Husband" on it.

## LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

This column is open to everybody who has a complaint to make, a grievance to ventilate, information to give or a subject of general interest to discuss, or a public service to acknowledge, and who can put the idea into less than 100 words.

## Salvation Army Dinner.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.  
The generous Christmas dinner of the Salvation Army to the unfortunate poor stamps it in the minds of thinking people as the most popular and foremost humanitarian institution in the city.

The followers of each and every other creed build their cathedrals and warehouses for the worship of an own particular sect, and with that selfishness born of the belief that their place here on earth is for the benefit of their kind, they neglect the needs of the human race as a whole. The Salvation Army, on the other hand, is a broader and more generous plan, know no creed or race distinction and accept all suffering humanity as their charge and worthy of their care and protection.

L. Z. AN AGOSTIC.

## Partial Enforcement of Law.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.  
Is there any law to suppress the police in bullying an invalid woman to clean the snow and ice off the sidewalk, while nobody else on the block is disturbed, notwithstanding every other house is occupied by two families and the sidewalk is so narrow that the woman is American and not popular with the followers of the police.

READER.

## The Snub to Fr. Tuohy.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.  
I read in to-night's paper that at the banquet to be given Jan. 5 in honor of Archbishop Kahn, all priests of the diocese are invited except Rev. Father Tuohy of St. Patrick's Church. Now, if this is correct, it is a snub to a man who has been a Catholic for many years and who has done much good for his fellow men.

A CATHOLIC NOT IN THE PARISH.

## Crooks at Union Station.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.  
Crooks, confidence men and panel workers have been paying quite a harvest of late in their nefarious work at the Union Station in its vicinity, their victims averaging from eight to ten per day, according to a newspaper account. If some radical steps are not taken to stop this business it will not be safe for any passenger to land at the Union Station. These sharpers have their headquarters at the Union Station and night, which gives them splendid opportunities to get in their work. It is not a good idea for the Terminal Railroad Company to put up notices in prominent places at the Union Station, warning the passengers and traveling public to beware of crooks, confidence men and sharpers, which would put them on their guard? The men who get roped in by panel workers deserve all they get; they deserve to be put in the pen.

I. P. WALDEN.

## Irregular Car Service.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.  
The irregularity of the Laclede cars is getting to be something dreadful to people living on the line. No one wants to stand there cold mornings or evenings either, and wait three or four hours before you can get on a car. For the Terminal Railroad Company to put up notices in prominent places at the Union Station, warning the passengers and traveling public to beware of crooks, confidence men and sharpers, which would put them on their guard? The men who get roped in by panel workers deserve all they get; they deserve to be put in the pen.

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## A Hard Task.

From the Clinton (Mo.) Tribune.  
If the Sedalla Board of Trade recovers from its loss, it will probably be the first time money has been recovered from the hands of a political boss.

## ALL THE WORLD IS BEAUTIFUL.

All the world is beautiful, and sweeter far the strife of word or sword is south wind, sighing.  
Low in tune with Summer's song in change-full meter.

When the heart is glad for Summer born or sad for Summer dying!  
Whoso will, may have a heart at peace, and bright.

With the glory of the sky whose sunshine, falling  
On the pool's breast tunes all harmony of gray to lighter.

For union with touch of heavenly harps when heaven the soul is calling!  
Whoso will, may turn his thoughts to glorious beauty.

Live his life in tune with cadenced song of planets, sounding  
As they roll sublime, the music of man's duty.

Moving darkened souls to be at one with law of love abounding!  
W. V. BYARS.

## THE AUTOMATIC POSTMAN.

The automatic postman is a new invention which may do wonders in postoffice work. A pneumatic tube is laid underground so as to pass directly below letter boxes. By this means letters are automatically propelled to the head office as soon as posted.

## MARRIAGE ON THE JUMP.

A Winsted (Conn.) man met a girl last week and was married to her an hour and a half later in order to fulfill the conditions of his uncle's will and come into possession of \$5,000.

## FACT ABOUT AIR.

Air is easily liquefied, but the difficulty of putting it to any practical use lies in the fact that it must be stored and transmitted at a temperature of more than 200 degrees below zero.

## ON GETTING UP STEAM.

Out of each new defeat  
That now distresses  
Comes at last the victory met—  
Triumph that blesses!

Who shrinks not, turns not pale  
When forced to learn to fall,  
Through failure shall prevail—  
Learn what success is.

Though skies be bright or gray,  
They'll not bewray you;  
Heaven pays not by the day,  
But it will pay you!

Show the world you are alive;  
Fall on and learn to strive  
Until your work shall thrive—  
Let naught dismay you!

There is no nonsense about that! Cut it out and put it under the sweater of your hat. You are likely to need it for reference in less than a year.

It happens once in a thousand times that a man goes from success to success. Ninety-nine times in a hundred he wins success through repeated failures.

The man who keeps on trying never does fail. Everything he does is heat applied to the water in the boilers to make the steam that is finally to start the wheels. Of course if he pulls the fire before he has got up steam enough to run his machinery it never runs at all. But otherwise it surely will.

## PICKLES MADE THEM ILL.

Mrs. Henderson and Her Mother Suspected Gift Provender.  
Late Monday afternoon a neatly dressed little woman, with wavy black hair and rosy cheeks, entered the Health office and excitedly asked to see the City Chemist or Commissioner Starkloff. She held in her hand a small pickle jar, well filled with onion and pepper pickles.

"I want the contents of this jar analyzed," said the woman. "I am convinced that the pickles have been poisoned, because I and several of them and so did my mother, and both of us were violently sick immediately thereafter."

She said she was Mrs. John Henderson of 10 South Fourteenth street and that her mother is Mrs. Louisa Boosh, the wife of Frederick Boosh, a laborer. She lives at 912 Gratiot street. They have not lived together for several years, though he frequently calls to see her.

The pickles were a gift. One gift before caused illness. City Chemist Telchmann made a close analysis of the pickles and declared that there was no sign of poison in the jar. He added, however, that Mrs. Henderson had eaten four of the onions, as she admitted, they were enough to make her sick.

Dr. Telchmann thought the complaint of Mrs. Henderson in its origin in domestic discord rather than in the pickle jar.

## FARMER WILSON'S \$600 GONE.

Watson, the Alleged Dice Man, Wants His Liberty.  
Judge Zachritz sustained the Police Department Tuesday in the habeas corpus case of Charles Watson, who is charged with swindling Mike H. Wilson of Kingsville, Mo. out of \$600 in a dice game.

When the police took Watson in custody Dec. 26, they put him in the holdover to await the arrival of the man who was swindled. Meanwhile as authority for holding Watson was charged with doing.

Pending the arrival of Farmer Wilson, Watson instituted habeas corpus proceedings. Judge Zachritz issued a writ returning Watson to the police station, and Watson was remanded to custody to await further investigation.

A warrant has not yet been issued. The alleged swindler dates from Dec. 17, in a suit at Fifteenth and Pine streets.

## PLEADED FOR HER HUSBAND.

Henry Condon's Abuse of His Family Must Come to an End.  
Henry Condon of 1901 North Twenty-third street is indebted to his wife for not being sent to the Workhouse Tuesday.

Although Mrs. Condon related a story of abuse and the harshest treatment at the hands of her husband, she concluded with a pathetic appeal to Judge Stevenson to allow the defendant another chance.

"For the sake of the children let him go this time, she said.

The Judge imposed a nominal fine of \$25 and stayed it on Condon's promise of good behavior in the future.

## TWO STRANGE LITTLE TALES

TOLD BY THE TELEGRAPH.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 23.—Patrick Kelly, a hardworking fisherman, for over a year, has been dumb, suddenly recovered the use of speech yesterday during a fit of anger. He was greatly surprised to find himself talking and changed his words from curse to a fervent "Thank God." He was formerly employed by Mapleson & Co., at Wilmington, Del., and it was when about to cure one of the bosses there that his voice was palsied.

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## A FUR-LINED COAT.

A fur-lined coat is perhaps the most useful thing that can be purchased. Broad cloth is much used for the coat part itself, but the most popular fur is chinchilla or mink. A few are lined with sable. Broad-

On a pretext that she had some shopping to do, Katie met Dunbar downtown and quietly married him. No word was sent to the anxious mother and for days she was crazed with the fear that her daughter had met some terrible accident. Finally the story of the elopement appeared in the papers and Mrs. Jones was mortally offended at her child's conduct.

Dr. and Mrs. Dunbar lived happily in Rush Hill, Mo., until the physician died. After the birth of a blue-eyed daughter had blessed the union. He succumbed to the ravages of disease.

The mother in St. Louis was telegraphed of her daughter's bereavement, and attended the funeral, but no reconciliation occurred. Mrs. Dunbar became a milliner in Mexico, Mo., and worked hard for the support of her child. Katie would not confess to any wrong doing and Mrs. Jones remained firm.

Friends at last persuaded mother and daughter to see where each had erred, and on Christmas day Mrs. Jones asked for Katie. Mrs. Dunbar arrived in St. Louis Monday evening.

"We were both mistaken," said Mrs. Jones. "She thought I would have prohibited the marriage because I didn't like either favor it, and I thought her deception was prompted by a lack of filial affection. We are reunited and both are happy."

## MRS. ALTENHOEVEL'S MONEY.

She Entrusted \$500 of It to Frederick Niesman and Lost It.  
A decision was rendered by Justice Harmon Monday afternoon in the case of Louisa Altenhoevel vs. Frederick Niesman, a cigar maker, Fourth and Market streets.

From the evidence submitted it appears that Mrs. Altenhoevel's husband died a year ago, leaving her \$1,000 life insurance. A clear maker, Fourth and Market streets, Holzman, who kept a boardinghouse at 1901 Park avenue,











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Copies of the POST-DISPATCH were regularly circulated last Sunday. But two other newspapers in the United States, west of the Allegheny Mountains, have a bona-fide Sunday circulation within 30,000 copies of the Post-Dispatch, and they are not in the Post-Dispatch field.

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**HARBERT**—Wanted, situation by harbert; best city ref.; 15 years' experience. Ad. I. 927, Post-Dispatch.

**BOOKKEEPER**—Wanted, situation as bookkeeper, entry clerk or to do office work; aged 24; 7 years' experience; best references. Ad. M. 694, Post-Dispatch.

**BOY**—Wanted, situation by strong boy of 17; would like work of some kind. Ad. D. 607, Post-Dispatch.

**CLERK**—A first-class grocery clerk of 25 desires situation, speaks English and German; references. Ad. M. 695, Post-Dispatch.

**CLERK**—Wanted, situation by young Canadian in wholesale or retail china or glass business; highest references. Ad. A. 696, Post-Dispatch.

**COHLER**—Young man of 19 wants job in cobbling shop; almost thorough experienced. Ad. R. 690, Post-Dispatch.

**COOK**—Wanted, place as cook by young colored man; willing to do anything. 709 Butler st.

**DRAUGHTSMAN**—Wanted, connection by young man, having capital and experience, as draughtsman, bookkeeper, buyer, salesman and collector of country accounts. Ad. B. 698, Post-Dispatch.

**DRIVER**—Wanted, a job as driver by young man; understands care of horses. 2909 Augusta st.

**DRIVER**—Wanted, to drive a delivery wagon by a sober, industrious young man thoroughly acquainted with city. Ad. I. 928, Post-Dispatch.

**DRUGGIST**—Wanted, situation by druggist of long experience; good references; registered; city or country. Ad. I. 929, Post-Dispatch.

**FIREMAN**—Wanted, situation by young man as fireman; good references. Ad. K. 696, Post-Dispatch.

**FIREMAN**—A good young man wants a job firing a stationary boiler; like work before. Ad. G. 697, Post-Dispatch.

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14 words or less, 10c.

**SHOEMAKER**—Wanted—Bring tools. 2355 Market st.

**SHOEMAKER**—Wanted—Shoemaker to help. 1500 Chouteau av.

**SOLICITOR**—Wanted—A steady, industrious man to solicit orders; experience not necessary; salary paid to right party. Apply Tuesday, 9 a. m. 1042 Vandeventer av.

**YOUNG MAN**—Wanted—To address envelopes at night; must be rapid. Ad. T. 697, Post-Dispatch.

**RUBICAM SHORTHAND COLLEGE**

701-2-3 Union Trust Building; exclusively for young ladies; positions secured for graduates; thorough instruction. Telephone 2994.

**STOVE REPAIRS**

For every stove or range made in the United States to be had at A. G. BRAUER'S, 219 Locust.

**SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.**

20 words or less, 5c.

**CASHER**—Wanted, situation by young lady cashier and assistant bookkeeper, or other office work. Ad. E. D. P., 4404 Cote d'Or.

**CASHER**—Wanted, situation by refined, stylish young lady cashier or to do any kind of office work; references; must have employment. Ad. I. 930, Post-Dispatch.

**COOK**—Wanted, situation by first-class cook; good references. Call or write 706 N. 10th st.

**COOK**—Wanted, situation as cook or for general housework; no washing. 1007 N. 14th st.

**COOK**—Wanted, situation as first-class cook; best city references. 715 N. Jefferson av.

**COOK**—Wanted, situation by experienced colored woman as cook. 708 N. 16th st.

**COOK**—Wanted, situation by good cook and laundress; good references. Apply at 4038 McPherson av., cottage.

**COOK**—A good colored cook wants work in private family; references given. Ad. K. 697, Post-Dispatch.

**COOK**—A young girl wishes a good place as cook or to do general housework. Call at 4506 North Market st.

**DRESSMAKER**—Experienced dressmaker wishes engagements at \$1.50 per day; evening clothes a specialty; references. Ad. B. 696, Post-Dispatch.

**DRESSMAKER**—Wanted, to sew in outfit, \$1.25 per day; children's clothes; fine shirt; work for transients; \$5.00 per week. Ad. S. 697, Post-Dispatch.

**DRESSMAKER**—First-class cutter and fitter desires engagements; will work very reasonable; girl-like references. Ad. K. 694, Post-Dispatch.

**GIRL**—Wanted, situation to do upstairs or general housework; call, two days, 1394 St. Ange avenue.

**GIRL**—Young girl (8) would like a sit. with nice people, to assist with work, regardless of wages; and willing to do anything; good home and my object. Ad. P. 690, Post-Dispatch.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted, situation to do general housework. Ad. 1521 Franklin av., rear.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted, situation by neat colored girl; no washing or ironing. 919 N. 13th st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted, situation by a housegirl to do general housework. Ad. A. 698, Post-Dispatch.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted, situation to do general housework; small family. 1224 N. 14th st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted, situation by colored girl to do general housework, washing and ironing or go out by the day. 1511 Pine st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted, situation by good girl to do housework as nurse; colored; good references. 208 S. 16th st.

**HOUSEKEEPER**—Wanted, situation as housekeeper for a bachelor or widower. Call at 2027 Augusta st.

**HOUSEKEEPER**—German widow, good cook, wants situation as housekeeper. Mrs. M. S., 811 Salisbury st., 1st floor.

### SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALES.

20 words or less, 5c.

**STENOGRAPHER**—Lady desires position; experienced; can punctuate and spell; good city references. Ad. C. 697, Post-Dispatch.

**TAILOR**—A good all round custom tailor wants work. Call or address, 214 S. 13th st.

**WOMAN**—Wanted, situation by Swedish woman by the day; good worker. Apply at 1727 S. 9th st.

**WOMAN**—Wanted, situation by middle-aged widow for general housework in small family without children. Call or address for 1 week 1440 N. 7th st.

**YOUNG LADY**—Wishes situation in store or office; must have work. Ad. D. 698, Post-Dispatch.

**WOMAN**—Wanted, situation by a middle-aged German woman for general work. 2111 Franklin av., rear.

**WOMAN**—Wanted, situation by middle-aged woman to do general housework; home more than wages. 2241 Biddle st.

**STOVE REPAIRS.**

Cuttings and repairs furnished for any stove or range made. J. F. Buehler, 111 N. 12th st.

**HELP WANTED—FEMALES.**

14 words or less, 10c.

**COMPOSITOR**—Wanted—Lady compositor to work on salary. Ad. G. 695, Post-Dispatch.

**COOK**—Wanted—Good girl to cook and assist in housework. 1919 Butler st.

**COOK**—Wanted—And girl for general housework; small family; good wages. 2609 Cook av.

**COOK**—Wanted—Experienced cook and housegirl. Call at once at 4298 Finney av.

**COOK**—Wanted—Good cook; no washing; must be experienced. 2729 Walnut st.

**COOK**—Wanted—Girl who can cook and do general housework; call immediately. 3211A Eads av.

**COOK**—Wanted—Thoroughly competent German woman for cooking and general housework. 3825 Washington av.

**COOKS** please notice—See that your mistress orders her food, poultry and game from Faust's Fulton Market, 610 Olive st. We clean and dress everything for you.

**GIRL**—Wanted—Girl for general housework; must have experience. 4174 W. Bell place; German or Swedish. Ad. S. 698, Post-Dispatch.

**GIRL**—Wanted—White girl for general housework; 2 in family. 5408 Vernon bl. call Tuesday or Wednesday.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Girl for general housework. 4183 Shandolph av. Red line cars.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—A girl for general housework in family of three. 1029 Carr st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Girl for general housework. 2857 Neeshol st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—A good dining-room girl, and to assist in general housework. 3720 West Pine bl.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Girl for general housework; small family. 4500 Morgan st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Girl for general housework and to assist in cooking; no washing. Call at 1004 Market st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—German girl for general housework. 3213 Lucas av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—A dining-room and upstairs girl. 1322 N. 10th st.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—A good girl for general housework. 3716A Cook av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—White girl for general housework; must be good cook. Call today at 2924 Lucas av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—From country preferred; small West End family; good home and wages. 5714 Maple av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—German girl for housework. 4120 West Pine bl.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Bellevue colored girl for general housework. 4057 McPherson av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Young German girl for general housework; no washing. 773 Lucas av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—A good German girl for general housework. 1114 Franklin av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Small, capable, colored girl for housework, with references. 3008 Locust.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Girl for general housework; go home nights. 20 N. Compton av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—Young girl to assist with housework. 2824 Chestnut av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—German girl for general housework; no washing; ref. required. 1837 Lafayette av.

**HOUSEGIRL**—Wanted—A good girl for general housework. 4001 West Belle pl.

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### PARTNERS WANTED.

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**PARTNER**—Wanted—For manufacturing business, with \$1,000 cash; no competition; large profits and salary guaranteed; a life's chance for steady work. Apply, Veritas Brokerage Co., 417 Park st.

**THEATRICAL.**

14 words or less, 20c.

**ENJOY YOURSELVES**—The amusement resort of the West End, "Haguenau Bros." Theater and dancing academy, 2030 Augusta st. Big show every Saturday and Sunday night; dancing at 10:30. Grand Musical Concert and Hop Tuesday evening, Dec. 28. Reception every Wednesday evening. Prize masquerade ball New Year's night, Saturday, Jan. 1.

**BUSINESS CHANCES.**

14 words or less, 20c.

**BUSINESS CHANCE**—I want to correspond with a live man going to Klonkide and give him a chance to make \$20,000 on an absolute necessity and certainty. Theo. Noel, Geologist, 858 W. Park st.

**BUSINESS CHANCE**—2 gentlemen of ability and business integrity want to meet 2 ladies with a few thousand dollars cash each to join them in a profitable and paying business enterprise in the Northwest; not answer unless you have money and can go along. Ad. Business, Box 335, Little Rock, Ark.

**BUSINESS FOR SALE.**

14 words or less, 20c.

**BUSINESS**—For sale, cheap, established law and collection business; present parties compelled to sell, owing to other interests occupying time; terms cash; investigate; good thing for lively, bold, energetic man. Ad. 696, Post-Dispatch.

**CLOTHING**—For sale, \$5,000 stock of clothing and furnishings goods; best town in the state; business established; good reasons for selling. Ad. I. 936, Post-Dispatch.

**LUNCH ROOM**—For sale, good stand; cheap; going to leave city. 21 N. 8th st.

**LUNCH ROOM**—For sale, lunch-room, with 3 nice furnished living rooms; terms easy. Ad. T. 610, Post-Dispatch.

**MARKET**—For sale, a good cash meat and vegetable market doing a good business. 1303 Chestnut st.

**SALOON MEN**, ATTENTION—We have several good saloons for sale on easy terms; also two boarding-houses in connection; call at our office before it is too late. Anthony & Kuhn Brewery.

**ST. LOUIS MUTUAL HOUSE-BUILDING CO.**—Office No. 513 West Third St. Between Chestnut and Pine. Sec'y, Hugo Kroner, Pres., Hugo Kroner, Sec'y. This company has been organized to build and sell houses at the option of applicant, on monthly payment plan. In St. Louis City. Prospects at office free of charge.

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**MUSICAL.**

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**PIANO LESSONS**—Lady will go to home and give piano lessons; low prices; cash terms; piano rented and tuned. The Eddy Co., 916 Olive st.

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**DANCING.**

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**DANCING**—Mitchell's Dancing School, Jefferson work, open Friday, Jan. 7, 4 months' course \$5.

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### ROOMS FOR RENT.

14 words or less, 10c.

**A. B. C. HOTEL**—No. 112 N. Broadway—Neatly furnished rooms at reasonable terms.

**CASS AV.**—2513—Unfurnished 2d-floor front room, very large, \$5 per month.

**CHESTNUT ST.**—2542—Two connecting front rooms with bath and kitchen; housekeeping; private family.

**CHESTNUT ST.**—1012—Nicely furnished second-story room for housekeeping; also unfurnished rooms, \$4.50.

**CHOUTEAU AV.**—1016—Nicely furnished front room, 1st floor; gas or housekeeping; convenient.

**CHOUTEAU AV.**—1421—Nicely furnished front room, 2d floor; housekeeping, single, \$2; en suite, \$3.50.

**COMPTON AV.**—1021 N.—Nicely furnished rooms; gas or light housekeeping; private family; low price.

**COMPTON AV.**—1012 N.—Second floor front room, newly furnished, for two guests or light housekeeping; also 1st floor front room, with bath, \$2.50.

**EASTON AV.**—2007A—Two neatly furnished rooms, with piano; in private family.

**EIGHTHENTH ST.**—1754 S.—Lady employed during day has nice room for one or two working girls; modern conveniences; rent \$1.50 weekly.

**ELVENTH ST.**—12 N.—Front room, nicely furnished, for light housekeeping; cheap.

**EUGENIA ST.**—2318—Furnished room; fire, etc.; convenient to Union Station; private family.

**FRANKLIN AV.**—2328—Furnished 2d-floor front room for light housekeeping. \$2.50 per week.

**FRANKLIN AV.**—2023—One unfurnished room; \$1 per week; water in room.

**FRANKLIN AV.**—5310—Handsomely fur. front room; room for housekeeping; private family; modern conveniences; reasonable.

**FRANKLIN AV.**—3432—Nicely furnished room for rent; Franklin, near Grand.

**FRANKLIN AV.**—2023—Large furnished room, for light housekeeping; modern conveniences; \$2.50; also two rooms, single or en suite.

**GARRISON AV.**—1015A N.—Near Easton—Furnished front room; references exchanged.

**GENTLEMEN ONLY**—HURST'S HOTEL—Steam heat, 2nd floor, new building. One person \$3 to \$5 per week; two, \$4 to \$6.

**GRATTAN ST.**—1002—Well-furnished front room; all conveniences; very cheap; private family.

**LEONARD AV.**—917—Furnished rooms; hot bath, furnace heat; near Suburban cars, \$5.







## SHE ASKED HIM TO SHOOT HER.

Sensational Development in  
the Clayton Tragedy.

NASSAUER LEFT A LETTER.

DECLARES KATIE DOSENBACH  
ASKED HIM TO KILL HER  
AND SHOOT HIMSELF.

HER FATHER DENIES THIS.

Nassauer and the Girl Met on a River  
Trip and He Followed Her to  
Her Home—Were to Have  
Been Married.

Isaac Nassauer of West Point, Miss., brother of Marcus Nassauer, whose suicide Monday, after attempting the life of Miss Kate Dosenbach, who refused his attentions, stirred Clayton as nothing else ever did, arrived in St. Louis Tuesday morning. With him was L. Lazarus, a brother-in-law of the dead young man.

Nassauer and Lazarus came from Cairo, Ill. They went directly to Clayton, where Coroner Rouse met them and delivered

and Anna Dosenbach entertained the caller. He told her he was in the employ of the United States Secret Service.

"With two other men I have been on the track of a criminal," he said. "But he slipped us. He has been captured in New York. One of our men is now in Belleville and another in St. Louis. I have been watching him."

Nassauer said he was about to leave for the East and called to say good-by to Dosenbach.

When Katie came in Anna left the sitting-room through the folding doors which connect the sitting-room with the dining-room. These doors were left open.

While the young people conversed in low tones two pieces from St. Louis, spending the holidays with their cousins, and the young Dosenbach girls moved about in the dining-room. They said the couple in the sitting-room seemed oblivious of the presence of the girls in the dining-room.

Finally Anna Dosenbach went out on the porch and the other girls went upstairs. Then three shots were heard in the sitting-room.

Anna Dosenbach looked around she saw Katie coming out of the door, the left shoulder of her dress ablaze, her face a picture of horror.

Katie ran past Anna screaming. She ran down the walk 50 feet. She crossed to the residence of Mrs. Marie L. Turner. She burst into the room where Mrs. Turner was sitting. "I'm shot," Katie said. "He has shot me."

Mrs. Turner is a practical, self-possessed woman. She was shocked, but she had presence of mind. She put out the flame which was burning Katie's dress.

Anna Dosenbach met some boys. She sent them to her father's office for the evening and then she went to her room. She knew what had happened, for the visiting cousins looked in the sitting-room as they came down the stairs. They saw Marcus Nassauer lying there in a corner, unconscious, breathing hard, his face covered with powder burns.

Sheriff Kerth came up the hill panting. He found Nassauer lying on his back, his head in a corner, blood gushing from his mouth. "Get a stretcher," the sheriff said to neighbors of the Dosenbachs who came in. While they were after the stretcher Nassauer died. His body was taken to the Court House.

Dr. M. W. Caster of Clayton and Dr. E. M. Caster of St. Louis were called. They found Katie Dosenbach suffering much from the wound.

CONFERENCE OF JUDGES.  
Annual Meeting of St. Louis Jurists  
Will Be Held To-Morrow.

The law requiring all the nisi prius judges of the state to meet in annual conference and prepare for the General Assembly such corrections and changes in the statutes as they may deem essential to harmonizing and perfecting the laws, is an old one.

During many years the judges have assembled and gravely written out their views, to which Legislatures paid little attention, and by and by the number of the judicial delegates decreased to a handful. But within the last three or four years the General Assembly has discovered a vast deal of information in these reports. The judges, too, weary of having their views practically ignored in cases held as trivial, have branched out, as they should have done at first, and suddenly growing conscious of the power and influence bestowed upon them, gone into the whole statutory system.

As a consequence their recommendations now have almost equal weight with that of the Governor. Instead of the judicial delegates decreasing to a handful, they have increased to a large number. The judges, too, weary of having their views practically ignored in cases held as trivial, have branched out, as they should have done at first, and suddenly growing conscious of the power and influence bestowed upon them, gone into the whole statutory system.

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## WRAPPED IN A FLAME.

MRS. WM. KIEL WAS READING  
WHEN A LAMP EXPLODED,  
SPRAYING HER WITH OIL.

SHE WAS DEAD IN AN INSTANT.

Her Husband and Children, Who Attempted to Extinguish Flames,  
Were Badly Burned.

The explosion of a coal oil lamp, at 7 o'clock Monday evening, resulted in the burning of Mrs. William Kiel, aged 58 years, and the serious injury of her husband and children, who attempted to extinguish the flames.

The Kiel family live on the second floor of the building at 922 North Twenty-second street. Just after supper Mrs. Kiel was seated near the parlor stove, about ten feet away from a table on which stood a lamp. Suddenly the lamp exploded, throwing the fiery flame over Mrs. Kiel in a shower.

The poor woman screamed with agony. Her two daughters, Amanda and Helen, rushed into the parlor, followed by their aged father, and the three made frantic efforts to save Mrs. Kiel. But the oil and saturated clothing burned too fiercely, and in an incredibly short time the woman fell to the floor dead, her body charred from head to foot.

The flames were communicated to the furniture and were extinguished by neighbors who poured in on hearing Mrs. Kiel's screams.

Amanda and Tillie Kiel were badly burned about the head and face. Mrs. Kiel was burned about the body, but the physician who dressed their wounds, said they would recover.

Mrs. Kiel leaves a husband and five children, three sons and two daughters. One of her sons is William Kiel, Jr., who keeps a saloon at 819 North Seventh street. The cause of the explosion is generally attributed in the neighborhood to an inferior quality of oil.

## CONFERENCE OF JUDGES.

Annual Meeting of St. Louis Jurists  
Will Be Held To-Morrow.

The law requiring all the nisi prius judges of the state to meet in annual conference and prepare for the General Assembly such corrections and changes in the statutes as they may deem essential to harmonizing and perfecting the laws, is an old one.

During many years the judges have assembled and gravely written out their views, to which Legislatures paid little attention, and by and by the number of the judicial delegates decreased to a handful. But within the last three or four years the General Assembly has discovered a vast deal of information in these reports. The judges, too, weary of having their views practically ignored in cases held as trivial, have branched out, as they should have done at first, and suddenly growing conscious of the power and influence bestowed upon them, gone into the whole statutory system.

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Flourishing Condition.

The twentieth annual meeting of the  
Western Commercial Travelers' Association  
was held at the Hotel Trenton Tuesday  
and Wednesday morning in a room in which it was organized in  
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President Dula was in the chair, and the attendance was the largest the Association ever had at a meeting. After Mr. Dula had read the report of the Secretary and Treasurer, the trustees of the reserve fund and of the Finance Committee. These reports

showed the Association to be prospering and in an excellent condition in every way. The Association has cash on hand of \$5,000, and a reserve fund of \$10,000. The Association has a total membership of 1,000, and a total income of \$10,000. The Association has a total expenditure of \$10,000, and a total surplus of \$10,000.

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Sister Margaret Finley's Death Ends a Long, Useful Life.

In the death of Sister Margaret Finley, the community of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul lost one of its oldest and most useful members.

She died at St. Ann's Asylum, 1236 North Tenth street, in the house in which she labored continuously for thirty-six years.

Her death was as quiet as the going to sleep of a child, and the nurse kneeling over her bedside prayed that their death might be as beautiful as was hers.

Sister Margaret was 63 years of age. She came to St. Louis in 1861, and all her work was done in one of the departments of St. Vincent de Paul.

At 19 years of age Sister Margaret served her novitiate for the order, and formally renounced the world and entered the order of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul.

For a year she has been in failing health, and her death was a relief to her family and to the community.

During the past three months her condition became worse, and she died due to an affection of the heart and the infirmities of age. She had some relatives in St. Louis. Father Kendrick of St. Vincent's will say



MARCUS NASSAUER AND KATIE DOSENBACH.

over the body, which still remained in the county Court-room, where it was taken immediately after the shooting.

It was given in charge of Carwell & Parker, undertakers at Webster Groves, who